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American Ambassador
American Embassy

Dear [redacted]

Many thanks for your very fine letter of 16 November commanding [redacted] for its activities in [redacted] during the past critical weeks. We are delighted to receive such letters and I assure you that it is the clear purpose of the Agency throughout the world to continue this type of coordination and action in the best interests of United States foreign policy. You may be assured that we desire always to do our work under the guidance of and with the approval of the Ambassador, and to this end it is always encouraging to know of the fine relationships that exist in your area.

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On another subject, I never did hear of any final action that you might have taken in regard to our exchange of cables in mid-October. One very beneficial thing did occur however, and that was to point up here in Washington the fact that the Department, and the Agency as well, were not keeping our Latin American Ambassadors as fully informed as they should have been on a critically current basis. This was remedied by transmission to you of the message to [redacted] of 3 November (your Circular [redacted] and I hope was followed up by the Department in subsequent messages.

We are a long, long way from getting out of the woods on this entire problem of a Soviet satellite in the Western Hemisphere, and our current position, for my money, is only the first initial step to get back to where we should be.

Life goes on as usual and there are never minutes enough in the day to do what must be done. Please join me in warmest regards to you and yours.

Faithfully yours,

[Signature] SMC
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